

Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska
January 21, 2014

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Commissioner's Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Tuesday, the 21st day of January, 2014 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, Commissioner Ronald Wertz and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Commissioner Paul Nichols was absent. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News, the designated method for giving notice. Board agendas are posted on the County's website www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov. Notice of the meeting was given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Member Wertz moved to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of January 21st, 2014 agenda; 2. Approval of the January 6th, 2014 meeting minutes with correction on date in the first paragraph, that being 6th day of January, 2014. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald and Nichols. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald and Nichols. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$37,416.10
AFLAC, suppl. Ins. -----	\$ 806.96
Ameritas Life Ins., vision ins. -----	\$ 197.20
AS Central Finance, data process. -----	\$ 220.60
BC & BS, health ins. -----	\$28,110.21
BC & BS, binder funds -----	\$22,426.21
CDC Assoc., dues -----	\$ 25.00
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 531.65
Community Hospital, blood tests -----	\$ 284.00
Diamond Vogel Paint, paint -----	\$ 289.60
Eakes Office Products, supply -----	\$ 13.98
Farmers Coop, propane/fuel -----	\$ 3,972.22
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$11,652.67
Stanley Goodwin, ct. appt. atty. -----	\$ 25.00
Green Law Offices, same -----	\$ 20.00
LaRue Dist., supply -----	\$ 113.28
Lifeteam Critical Care Transport, vol. wage deduction -----	\$ 105.00
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 93.10
Matthew Bender, law library/supply -----	\$ 338.93



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Cynthia McCorkle, mileage -----	\$ 101.92
Scott McDonald, same -----	\$ 320.32
Mid American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 165.00
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport -----	\$ 338.10
NACO, registration -----	\$ 80.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 1,369.30
NE Sheriff's Assoc., dues -----	\$ 145.00
Nebraska.gov, transcripts -----	\$ 4.00
New York Life, life ins. -----	\$ 75.00
Protex Central, inspection -----	\$ 216.00
Region 15 Emergency Management, contract -----	\$ 7,250.00
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 6,343.52
Schmick's Market, supply -----	\$ 275.74
Scoop Media, publications -----	\$ 629.13
Shredding Solutions, service -----	\$ 146.70
Donna Stetler, clerical -----	\$ 20.00
T&J Repair, repair -----	\$ 92.90
The Thompson Co., supply -----	\$ 516.67
Trails West Texaco, supply/fuel -----	\$ 84.75
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 56.18
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 71.37

ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$ 4,941.01
AFLAC, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 511.93
Ameritas Life Ins., vision ins. -----	\$ 41.76
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 7,836.16
BC&BS, binder funds -----	\$ 7,020.60
C&K Dist., supply -----	\$ 111.72
Colonial Life & Accident, suppl. ins. -----	\$ 36.32
DFR, Inc., service -----	\$ 14.00
Phillip Dixon, hwy. supt. Contract -----	\$ 725.00
Farmers Coop, fuel/repair -----	\$ 5,796.44
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 1,253.99
Hitchcock Co. Inheir. Fund, grader pmts. -----	\$12,268.05
J.A. Automotive, repair -----	\$ 152.27
League Builders Supply, tools -----	\$ 7.98
Lifeteam Critical Care Transport, vol. wage deduction -----	\$ 70.00
Madison National Life, life ins -----	\$ 29.40
Mentzer Oil Co., fuel -----	\$ 3,473.00
Michael Todd & Co., signs -----	\$ 1,742.74
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 45.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 96.16
NE Machinery Co., repair -----	\$16,519.63
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 941.55
Schamel's Auto Supply, repair -----	\$ 414.87
Stratton Auto Parts, repair/supply/equip. -----	\$ 101.91
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 32.09



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INSTITUTIONS FUND:

Region II Services, Quarter assess. ----- \$ 1,185.00

NOXIOUS WEED FUND:

Weed Fund Payroll -----	\$ 759.14
BC&BS, health ins. -----	\$ 687.58
BC&BS, binder funds -----	\$ 647.53
Eakes Office Products, supply -----	\$ 278.00
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OAIS/Fed. -----	\$ 212.94
Lewis Motor Sports, repair -----	\$ 129.99
Lifeteam Critical Care Transport, vol. wage deduction -----	\$ 35.00
Madison National Life, life ins. -----	\$ 4.90
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 7.50
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 19.79
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 126.09
Wireless Inet, service -----	\$ 13.08

911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

Century Link, service ----- \$ 278.19

Member McDonald moved to approve the claim of RW Welding in the Road Fund for repair in the amount of \$489.64. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of the motion: Nichols and McDonald. Member Wertz abstained. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved to approve the claim of Scott's Sinclair in the Road Fund for fuel/oil in the amount of \$156.78. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz and Nichols. Member McDonald abstained. Motion carried.

NIRMA Contact Karen Keller joined the meeting and chemical certifications for Road Department employees were discussed.

Myra Stoney with Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department met with the board and provided the 2013 annual report.

Laura Clause and Adam Powers with Wilcox Financial Services on behalf Wellness Partners joined the meeting. Ms. Clause explained the Wellness Partners Light program which includes a health fair at no cost to the county or employees. Employees, spouses and adult children who are on the employee's health plan and choosing to enroll would complete a health questionnaire and participate in a wellness fair consisting in part of a lab panel of 35 tests. It was the consensus of the board that an informational meeting explaining the program to employees will be held on March 11th, 2014 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The Wellness Fair will be held on April 7th, 2014 beginning.

Discussion held on zoning permits.

Emergency Manager Pat Gerdes met with the board regarding approving the Local Emergency Operations Plan (L.E.O.P.) for 2014 and advised as to updates of the same.



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Member McDonald offered Resolution #14-8 and moved for its' adoption. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Said resolution having been consented to by a majority of all members elected to said County Board, was by the Chair declared passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION #14-8

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, pursuant to Nebraska Statute, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of Hitchcock County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Hitchcock County Local Emergency Operations Plan has been developed in order to provide for a coordinated response to a disaster or emergency in Hitchcock County, and the village in Hitchcock County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, deems it advisable and in the best interest of Hitchcock County to approve said Local Emergency Operations Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska, that the Hitchcock County Local Emergency Operations Plan be, and hereby is, approved.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of January 2014.

Board of Commissioners,
Hitchcock County, Nebraska

Scott McDonald, Chairman

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk

SEAL

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald, Paul Nichols and Ronald L. Wertz

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

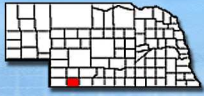
ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

Hazard Mitigation projects were discussed. Emergency Manager Gerdes suggested a weather warning siren system be implemented at Swanson Lake and estimated cost of the same. Courthouse security cameras were discussed.

Weed Superintendent Bill Hagemann met with the board and presented the annual year end reports and discussion was held on the same.

Chair McDonald executed the Activity Report, the Weed Control Authority Roster, the Noxious Weed Control Plan, and the Weed Infestation Report for 2013.



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Discussion held on out of pocket levels on Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance. No action taken at this time.

The Treasurer was in receipt of \$166.12 from Ronald Wertz for two grader blades and \$1,219.12 from Columbus Metal Industries for scrap iron, both credited to the Road Fund; \$1.00 from Vonnage and \$21.00 from Centurytel for 911 surcharges, both credited to the 911 Emergency Services Fund.

County government day has been scheduled for Monday March 24th, 2014.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, February 3rd, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, McDonald, and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Scott McDonald, Chair
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk